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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Applicant(s):** Yoshio Onuki, et al.**Examiner:** John P. Leubecker**Serial No:** 10/657,670**Art Unit:** 3739**Filed:** September 8, 2003**Docket:** 15228A**For:** MEDICAL GUIDE WIRE**Dated:** January 5, 2007**Confirmation No.:** 2150Mail Stop Amendment
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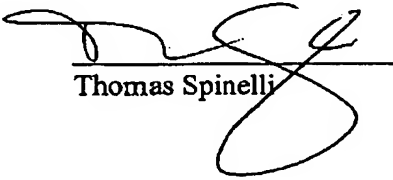
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In response to the Official Action dated September 15, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

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